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Anti Aircraft Artillery Barracks in Bohnice (051/149) (see Encl. 1, a)

1. The barracks are located in the eastern half of the former insane asylum which now occupies only the western half of its former area. Only the headquarters building and part of a training ground behind it can be observed from outside because the view of the rest of the buildings is obscured by a thick hedge. Opposite the barracks is a military area, the eastern side of which is 500 meters long and northern side 350 meters long. Within the area are a training ground and parking areas for guns and trucks. All military personnel observed within the area were AA artillery members.
2. On 22 October 1953 about 200 enlisted men and a group of junior officers conducted drill without arms at the training ground (Pt. 2). Fifteen groups, each 30 men strong, conducted drill under the supervision of NCOs and junior officers at the training ground (Pt. 3). About 150 AA guns and numerous bowl-type apparatuses mounted on 2-axle trucks resembling sound detectors were parked in the area (Pt. 5), and about 150 trucks were parked at the parking lot (Pt. 4).
3. On 14 November 1953 there were about 150 - 180 AA guns and 300 trucks parked in the same areas. [REDACTED]

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Military Barracks in Mala Chuchle (051/147) (see Encl. 1, c)

4. On 2 October 1953 military barracks in Mala Chuchle were observed. The barracks are located in the former hotel "Laze". The hotel building is 60 meters long and 15 meters wide and the walls are painted light green. About 50% of an unidentified branch of service were seen in the vicinity of the barracks.

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5. On 22 October 1953 the barracks were unoccupied. According to local inhabitants the unit which was previously quartered in the barracks left and another unit was expected to move in within a short period of time.

Military Barracks in Ruzyne (N51/168)

6. On 16 October 1953 only military personnel with red shoulder boards were seen in the area of the barracks. The seven parallel buildings on the southern side had windows painted light blue.<sup>2</sup> A truck [REDACTED] carrying about 20 EM entered the barracks. 5X1C

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Pohorelec and Petrin Barracks

7. On 27 October 1953 EM with red shoulder boards were conducting drill without arms in the courtyard. A group of NCOs with engineer corps symbols on black shoulder boards were seen leaving the barracks. NCOs with the same shoulder boards were already observed in the barracks a few weeks earlier.

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8. In the Petrin barracks a truck [REDACTED] and a Tudor [REDACTED] whose passenger, a major, had brown epaulets, was observed. 25X1C

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9. The following personnel left the military installation in Myslbekova ulice No. 9/162 at 16:00 hrs.: a Soviet colonel and another Soviet field grade officer by a Tatraplan [REDACTED] a Czech lt.-colonel and a major by a Tatraplan [REDACTED]<sup>4</sup>; seven civilian girl employees; several women NCOs, and several NCOs and EM. A Tudor [REDACTED] Tatraplans [REDACTED] and a 2-ton [REDACTED] front of the building. A major and four EM were unloading some printed material from the truck.<sup>3</sup> 25X1C  
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Military Installations in the City (see Encl. 2)

10. The former 5-story commercial building Kotva (Pt. 1) was taken over by the Air Force and quarters Air Force offices. The entrance into Benediktska street is closed to the public and guarded. Only military personnel is admitted. The former commercial building opposite (Pt. 2) bears a sign Krajske velitelstvi (Regional Military Command) and the personnel frequenting the building are Air Force. The 25-meter long 6-story building at the end of Benediktska street (Pt. 3) quarters a stand-by SNB detachment (Pohotovostni oddil). The former Lippert building (Pt. 4) which is next to the Communist Party headquarters is being adapted for SNB use. The movie theater located under the building is being turned into a garage for SNB vehicles.<sup>4</sup>

11. For months underground structures have been under construction at Folinianka.<sup>5</sup> The work has progressed further at the eastern side of Folinianka where concrete spherical bunkers about 10 feet in diameter are protruding above the ground. The purpose of the structures could not be ascertained.

12. A convoy of factory-new 2-axle trucks for transport of troops with a look-out turret for a truck commander was passing through the city on 4 November 1953. [REDACTED]

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Military Barracks at Lesany (050/186)

13. The military barracks in Lesany were built in 1951. An artillery unit about 800 men strong is quartered in the barracks. On 18 October 1953 [REDACTED] carrying troops was observed leaving the barracks.

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Military Barracks in Psary (050/L87)

14. The newly built military barracks in Psary consist of three 1-story brick buildings.

Military Airfields Kbely, Cakovice, and Letnany (051/L89)

15. About 70 two-engine planes were observed at the Kbely airfield on 9 October 1953.

Two-ton trucks at

the airfield had

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16. On 14 October 1953 there were no planes at the Cakovice airfield. [redacted] there is a slack season in the production at the Avia aircraft plant. About 1,200 employees, mainly women, were dismissed from work recently.

17. On 30 October 1953 about 150 mostly single-engine planes were parked at the Letnany airfield.

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1. [redacted] Comment. It is improbable that these AA units would be equipped with sound detectors. [redacted] mobile radar stations.

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2. [redacted] Comment. Equipment storehouses (especially those containing rubber material) used to have their windows painted blue to protect the stores from direct light and sunshine.

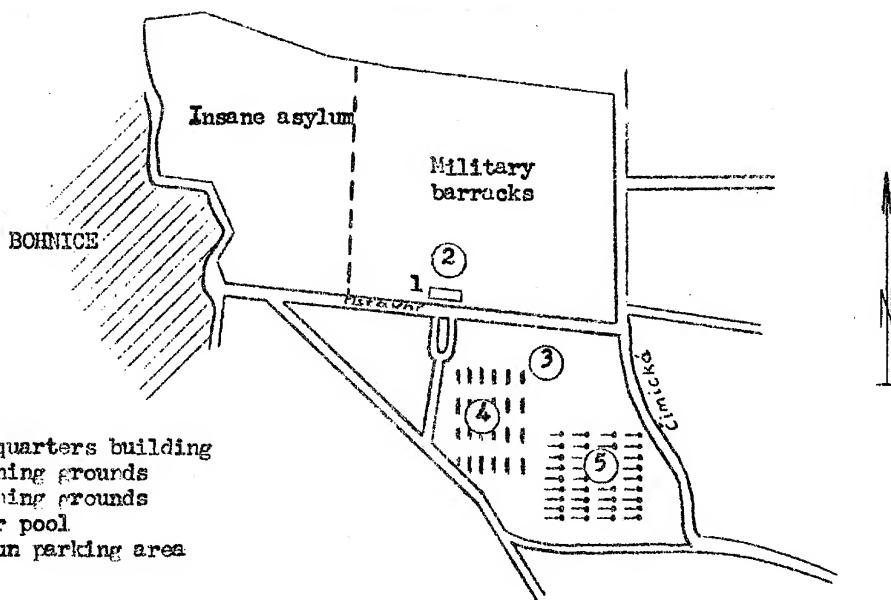
3. Cf. [redacted]

4. [redacted] Comment. The Sevastopol movie theater was located under the Lippert building. No programs have been advertised for this theater since July 1953 although it was the most modern-built and best equipped theater in Prague.

5. [redacted] Comment. Folimanka is an open area located about 1.5 kilometers due east from the Praha-Vysehrad railroad station.

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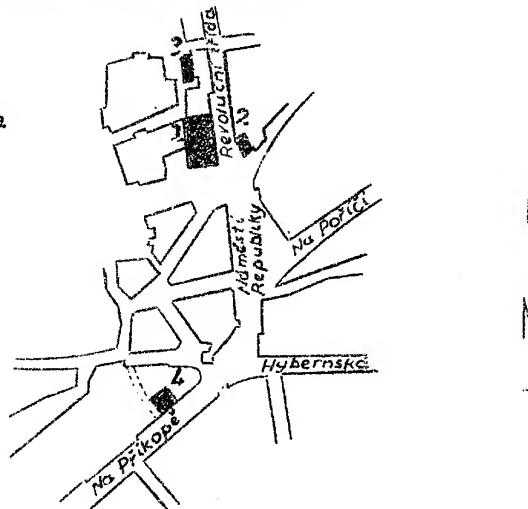
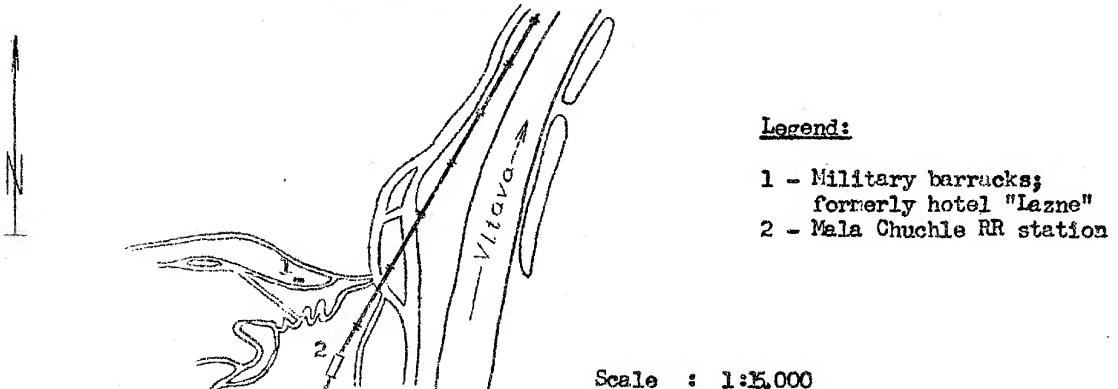
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Annex 1.a. AA Artillery Barracks in BohniceLegend:

- 1 - Headquarters building
- 2 - Training grounds
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- 4 - Motor pool
- 5 - AA gun parking area

b. Military Installations in the CityLegend:

- 1 - Air Force offices; formerly Kotva
- 2 - Regional Military Command
- 3 - SMC building
- 4 - Lippert building

c. Military Barracks in Mala ChuchleLegend:

- 1 - Military barracks; formerly hotel "Lazne"
- 2 - Mala Chuchle RR station